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1. At the Zhdanov Shipyard there were two large flush-decked destroyers in the yard's basin. They had strongly falling stems, marked sheer, and one gun turret on the foredeck. Aft of the gun turret was a raised section covered with an apron. On the forward edge of the bridge was a round, apron clad device, a large main-battery director, together with a tripod mast forward of the stack. The ship was partly obscured from midships by the hull of a merchant ship. An after tripod mast with a large radar screen was observed forward of the top of the after stack, which was obscured. There was a large distance between stacks. There was no anchor in the hawse-hole. The ship was painted gray.  25X1
- (See sketch No. 1.) 25X1
2. In the basin under the large traverses in the Zhdanov Shipyard, the water extended up to the doors of the newly lengthened building that is located east of the basin. There were four large doors in the west wall of the yard's shed in the southern part of the area. The northern and southern doors were open. Traverses were visible in the roof. The forward section of a ship was being moved out through the south door onto the slip outside. Two ways were observed south of the yard shed. The hull of a ship with plate sides built to a height of 2 or 3 meters stood on one of them. On the other was a ship  judged to 25X1
- to be a minesweeper. One stack was mounted. (See sketch No. 2.)
3. At the Marti Shipyard there was the stem of a ship that stood behind a fenced area. The distance between the stem and the fence was estimated to be 20 meters. The stem was falling. A triple gun turret was observed on the foredeck. The caliber was estimated to be at least 15 cm. The vessel had a low superstructure. A main-battery director was located amidships. It was round and had a diameter that was estimated at 7 or 8 meters.  the height of this main director 25X1
- above the deck was unusually low.  this was possibly 25X1
- because it was not yet completely installed. The ship's hull lay parallel with and east of an older, large, dark-painted structure, which seemed to be like the southern large yard shed in the Zhdanov Shipyard

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4. The Baltiyskiy Shipyard was observed from a great distance. [redacted] the ways were empty and [redacted] several ships lay at the fitting out quay.

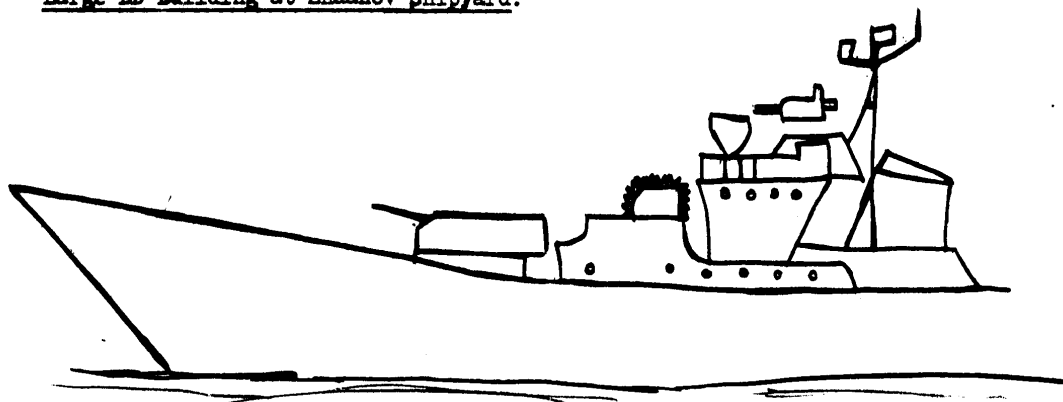
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Sketch No. 1:

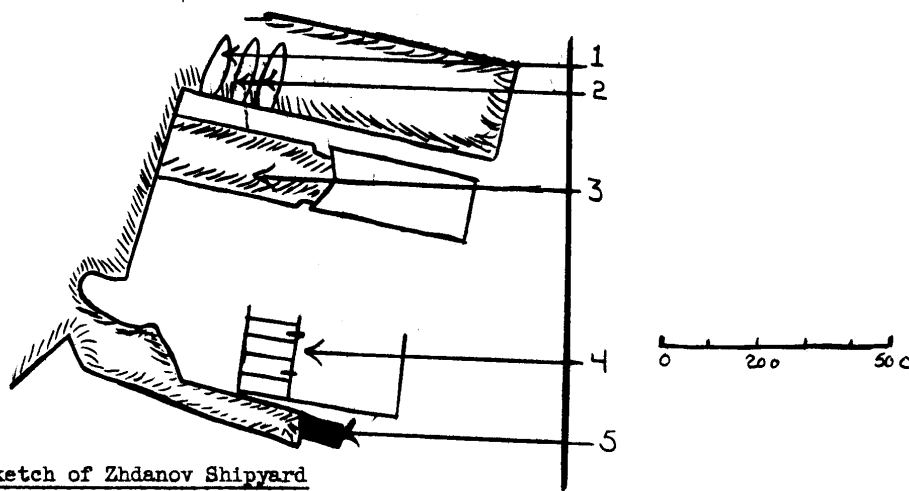
Large DD Building at Zhdanov Shipyard:

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Sketch No. 2:

Sketch of Zhdanov Shipyard



Legend to Sketch of Zhdanov Shipyard

1. Hull of merchant ship
2. Two large destroyers being fitted out
3. Basin with water up to the doors of the building
4. Wall with four large doors
5. Two slips with ships under construction

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